# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



### FISCAL MEMORANDUM

## HB 1676 - SB 1775

February 9, 2022

**SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (011964, 013432):** Authorizes the State Board of Education (SBE) to reject or make technical non-substantive revisions to the subject area standards recommended by the standards recommendation committees.

#### FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

#### **NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-1-311 requires SBE to appoint two standards review
  committees and six advisory committees to review the standards for English language
  arts, mathematics, science, and social studies at least once every six years from the last
  adoption. SBE may extend the six-year period required for the standards review one
  time for a period not to exceed three years.
- Tennessee Code Annotated §§ 49-1-312 and 49-1-313 require the standards recommendation committees to make the final recommendations on the revision and replacement of the current sets of standards to SBE.
- The Department of Education (DOE) provides subject matter expertise to support SBE during the standards review process. For the standards review, SBE hires educators to do an alignment, review, and coherence check for the existing standards and DOE designs and provides training and resources for the educators who complete this section of the review.
- SBE is currently required to adopt the subject area standards recommended by the standards recommendation committees. However, the proposed legislation will allow SBE to reject, make technical non-substantive revisions to, or approve the recommended standards upon the first reading and to reject or approve the recommended standards upon the second reading.
- Based on information from SBE, rejecting or making technical non-substantive revisions to the standards recommended by the standards recommendation committees will not significantly delay the standards adoption process. Any additional workload can be handled during the normal course of business and within existing resources
- Any fiscal impact to SBE or DOE is estimated to be not significant.

# **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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